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Two months ago, we strongly advised the purchase of Athabasca, Rambler Cariboo and Dardanelles at 34, 22 and 12 cents, respectively. We then stated that the Rambler Cariboo would be a decided success on the first of March. That will be done to-day in accordance with instructions received by the directors from the shareholders at their meeting and complained to the public that the Dardanelles and the Athabasca were in dividend-paying condition, and this will be shown to be correct in a few days. We wish our clients and the public to know we have good grounds for any statements we may make, and that it is quite safe to follow our advice.

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Noble Five (200)	20
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Rambler-Cariboo	42
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THE QUEEN'S HOLIDAY

Rumor That Her Majesty May Abandon Proposed Trip to the Riviera.

Senseless Attacks in Local Socialist Press a Possible Source of Annoyance.

Community Harboring the Agitators Will Have Cause to Repent Their Tolerance.

By Associated Press.
New York, Feb. 28.—The London correspondent of the World cables the following to his paper to-day:
"The World correspondent hears tonight that Queen Victoria has practically decided to abandon her projected visit to the Riviera. She had arranged to start March 8."
"This change of plans is not due to any friction with France, but is because of the constant personal attacks by which her advent has been heralded in a local journal."
"Remembering the assassination of the Empress of Austria, it is feared that these attacks may incite some half-demented person to make an attempt on the Queen's life, the more shock of which might prove fatal at her advanced age."
"The Queen is loath to give up her holiday, and may reconsider her present determination, which is to remain at home."
"Should she adhere to it, the loss to the Riviera hotel keepers will be enormous, as the bulk of the intending English visitors will follow her example."

BUFFALO'S BIG SHOW.
New York State Makes Liberal Grant and Declares for Open Door on Sundays.

Albany, Feb. 28.—The bill appropriating \$300,000 for a New York state building and exhibit at the Pan-American exposition, to be held in Buffalo in 1901, passed the senate to-day. An amendment offered by Senator Ruess that the gates of the exposition grounds be closed on Sunday, was defeated by 30 to 14.

SOUTH PERTH ELECTION.
A Conservative Replaces the Liberal Unseated for Corruption.

St. Mary's Ont., Feb. 28.—In the South Perth bye-election for the legislature to-day Monteith (Conservative) was elected by 30 majority.

The election resulted from the unseating of Moscrop (Liberal) for bribery and corruption.

PUGILIST IN LUCK.
Shot a Saloon Keeper and Makes Plea of Self Defence Stick.

St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 28.—Tom Allan, at one time heavyweight champion pugilist of the world, who shot and killed John Conroy in the former's saloon last week, was acquitted by the grand jury to-day. Allan's plea was self defence.

THE POPE'S ILLNESS.
Anniversary Congratulations Have Fatigued the Aged Pontiff—Complete Rest Necessary.

Rome, Feb. 28 (9 p.m.)—The Pope has had a prolonged fainting fit. The Pope had a fatiguing day yesterday, receiving congratulations on the approaching anniversary of his coronation and complained of the cold which has been intense for two days. This morning the Pontiff complained of a pain in his side; Dr. Lapponi found some fever and ordered the patient to remain in bed and take a complete rest. The physician has since visited the Pope three times.

It is almost certain that the pontifical reception and ceremonies fixed for March 2 and 3 will be countermanded.

AFTER GREENLAND EXPLORERS
Search Party to Start Out After the Wellman Expedition.

Christiania, Feb. 28.—Arrangements have been concluded by which a sealing vessel will search Franz Josef Land for Valher Wellman and the members of his expedition to Greenland, unless the expedition returns shortly.

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NANAIMO NEWS.
Rector of St. Alban's Resigns—Imperieuse Coming from Comox—Coal Shipments.

Nanaimo, Feb. 28.—(Special)—Rev. R. A. Bosanquet, rector of St. Alban's the Martyr, has presented his resignation as rector, which has been accepted by the Bishop of Columbia, who presided at the meeting of the congregation last evening. Mr. Bosanquet will remain here until June when he intends visiting the Eastern provinces.

The steamships Titania and Siam arrived this evening for cargoes of coal. H.M.S. Imperieuse arrived in the harbor to-day from Comox bound for Esquimalt.

The Welsh people of this city will celebrate St. David's day by a grand concert in the opera house.

The New Vancouver Coal Company shipped 20,000 tons of coal during February; Wellington 15,000; and the Union mines 1,500.

NEWS OF THE CAPITAL

Underpaid Postal Employees to Be Docked When Absent Through Sickness.

Winnipeg Election Impossible Until After Session—Mr. Sifton's Favored Foreigners.

From Our Own Correspondent.
Ottawa, Feb. 28.—The action of the Vancouver corporation in stationing police on Deadman's island is regarded here as likely to greatly prejudice the city in the eyes of the government. Even supposing the island is part of Stanley park—which the militia authorities claim it is not—no formal lease of the park to the city corporation has ever been issued. The matter, however, is attracting great attention in the Eastern press. The Free Press of this city locates the island at Victoria, no doubt because there is a rock in the harbor there similarly named.

The Ottawa Car Co. is building six new cars for the Vancouver electric railway.

Owing to a defect in the Dominion franchise act, Winnipeg cannot be represented in the Commons at the coming session of parliament. Before an election can take place a federal list will have to be prepared.

Mr. Sifton will add to his wards in the Northwest another batch of foreigners next spring.

The experimental farm is sending out 500 samples of seed grain daily.

The outside staff of the post office department will be docked for all days absent from work, whether through sickness or otherwise.

The Ottawa board of trade passed a strong resolution to-night, recommending James Huchart to the favorable consideration of the government in connection with any negotiations for a fast Atlantic service.

INDUSTRY BEFORE SCENERY.
Practical View Taken by Vancouver Folk of the Deadman's Island Transaction.

Vancouver, Feb. 28.—The mass meeting held last night to discuss the Deadman's island transaction was the most disorderly ever held in Vancouver. A large number of those present hissed and groaned every speaker who was against the deal, as soon as the first few opening words indicated the position he had taken. Charles Wilson, Q. C., Col. Warren, Ald. McQueen and many other highly respected citizens were subjected to the most unseemly interruptions.

Those opposed to the erection of a mill on the island held that the citizens would regret to the end of their lives the spoiling of Stanley park, and that there were many other sites in the city for a saw-mill. The argument advanced on the other side was that Vancouver was essentially a commercial centre, and sentiment must make way for industry. A document signed by 15 master mariners was read, stating that Deadman's island was the only suitable site for a sawmill in the harbor. Those favoring the scheme thought the city should be delighted to secure such an industry without expense. Mr. T. Langate stated at the meeting that he would not employ Chinese or Japanese, and would submit to city taxation.

This year Vancouver expects to raise \$431,849 as follows: \$20,000 for liquor licenses; \$9,455 from other licenses; \$31,586 from sundry receipts; \$83,000 from water rates; \$35,500 from school allowance; \$240,297 from general taxes; while \$28,010 represents the balance on hand.

The city council has decided not to purchase a new chemical engine owing to scarcity of funds.

Once more an attempt by a Chinaman to post a letter in a fire alarm box, went on record yesterday. As a result the fire brigade had a good practice run.

GERMANY'S NEW MOVE
Her Ships Withdrawn From Philippines and Subjects Left to American Protection.

Chinese Threatened With Punishment for Recent Insults to German Residents.

Samoan Agreement a Confessed Failure—Heavy Claims for Cuban War Losses.

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By Associated Press.
Washington, Feb. 28.—The German government has set at rest effectually the rumors of a purpose on its part, directly or indirectly, to embarrass the United States in the Philippines, and has given a signal manifestation of its desire to promote the most cordial relations between Germany and the United States, by ordering the withdrawal of all vessels of its navy from Philippine waters and placing the lives and property of its subjects there under the protection of the United States government. The action taken is regarded here as a stroke in diplomacy by which will be removed all possibility of a clash between German and American interests in and about Manila. The announcement of this act by the German government came at the close of a day that had been full of sensational rumors of a clash between the Germans and Americans in Manila, the rumors finally going so far as to assert that Admiral Dewey had fired on and sunk a German vessel at Manila. These rumors spread, despite that the cable connecting Manila with the world is under the control of the United States government, so that it might be reasonably expected that it would be the government that received the first news of any disaster or collision at Manila, and that at the White House, war department and navy department, positive denials were made of the receipt of any news tending even in the slightest degree to confirm the rumors. Finally, at the close of the day, and after the official close of the departments, came the announcement of the reason for the great confidence that the officials had in the faith of the rumors, practice department authorizing the statement that, by one bold stroke, Germany had removed all danger of a clash between hot-heads at Manila.

It was announced that the German government had ordered their ships away from Manila, probably to their new naval station at Kiaocheu, near the Chinese coast. The announcement was coupled with the statement that the German vessels were needed there. This may be, therefore, proof of the story that has come to Washington that the Chinese have been abusing some German citizens, almost in the shadow of the capital at Peking. The Germans have come to believe that the Chinese are to meet such cases by punitive measures, and as Peking is at the head of navigation on the Peking river, just below Peking, it may be the purpose to send some warships up the river to convey an idea of German displeasure.

The German government followed its announcement to the effect of withdrawing a purpose to order its vessels away from the Philippines, with a formal application to the United States government to undertake the protection of all the Germans in the Philippines, not only in person but in property. This was regarded as a signal manifestation of confidence that the administration would not be resisted, and practically formal notice that the Germans have no ulterior purpose in the Philippines, and rather than be subjected to suspicion on that score, have taken the course of turning over the care of the welfare of their citizens to the United States government. The President very promptly accepted the trust, and there will be no German ships at either Manila or Iloilo to disturb the relations between the two countries by forming the basis of sensational and false rumors.

Berlin, Feb. 28.—During to-day's sitting of the budget committee of the reichstag, the minister of foreign affairs, Baron Von Buelow, made a statement relative to affairs in China. He said that in view of anti-foreign irritations, particularly the fact that several Germans were grossly insulted and afterwards assaulted at Tientsin last Saturday, the German minister at Peking, Baron Von Heyeking, had been instructed to make it perfectly clear that if such acts were not severely punished, or if there was a recurrence of such acts, grave consequences would ensue for the Chinese government. He added: "We do not intend to interfere in the internal affairs of China, but duty compels us to protect the lives and property of Germans."

Referring to the statements published in foreign newspapers regarding the supposed action of the German warship Irene in the Philippine islands and the alleged conduct of Rear Admiral Dewey, who, it has been said, threatened to sink the pinacker of the Irene, the minister of foreign affairs said those statements belonged to the category of "pump and circumstance" previously described by him. So

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JAPS HELP FILIPINOS.

Americans Experience Some of the Annoyances They Caused Spain in Cuban War.

Insurgents Keep Up Desultory Fight—Church Shelled and Many Killed.

Associated Press. Manila, Feb. 28.—The rebels at Malabon fired upon the cruiser Callao from the jungle yesterday while Admiral Dewey was visiting the Monadnock. Three shells were dropped by the monitor into Malabon church, demolishing the structure and killing a number of rebels inside.

The factory of Malos is reported to be running day and night to supply ammunition for the insurgents. The ignorance of the natives is shown by the fact that they have collected empty Springfield shells and are refilling them. Over 2,000 of these cartridges have been discovered in houses in Pandacan by an officer of the Washington volunteers.

The cruiser Charleston and Gunboat Concord have gone on a ten days' cruise, presumably looking for filibusters. It is believed that arms are being landed in small quantities at northern ports.

Everything was absolutely quiet last night, both inside and outside of the city. There has been the usual desultory firing along various parts of the line, but the only casualties to-day are Capt. David S. Elliot, Company G, 20th Kansas volunteers, and a private of the same regiment. They are both seriously injured. They were shot by Spanish sharpshooters near Cagayan.

London, Feb. 28.—Replying in the house of Commons to-day to Hon. Philip Jameson Hope, Liberal, who asked the government to make friendly representations to the United States on the subject of pecuniary compensation being granted the relatives of the Englishmen who were the victims of the unfortunate shooting accident at Manila, the parliamentary secretary for foreign affairs, Mr. Broderick, said the British consul at Manila had telegraphed the facts of the shooting, and the government must await a report on the subject before forming an opinion on the points raised.

Madrid, Feb. 28.—The Reforma asserts that it has received letters from reliable sources at Manila, saying that 50 cannon, 30,000 rifles, and several million cartridges from Japan have been landed at Sual, on the Gulf of Lingayen, on the west coast of the island of Luzon, and about 100 miles from Manila, and have been taken thence to Manila, the seat of the rebel government. The Reforma adds: "Japan evidently intends attack towards the Americans in the Philippines as the Americans acted towards the Spanish in Cuba."

Honolulu, Feb. 28, via San Francisco, Feb. 28.—The battleship Oregon, accompanied by the collier Irs, sailed for Manila on February 20.

SAGASTA MAY QUIT.

Philippine Cession Bill Barely Escapes Rejection by Senate—A New Political Shuffle.

Madrid, Feb. 28.—In the Senate to-day the opposition members of the committee to which the government's bill for the cession of the Philippines was referred, submitted a counter measure.

After Duke Almodovar del Rio, minister for foreign affairs, had strongly rebuffed the charges of the opposition against the government, the senate rejected the counter measure by 120 votes to 118. The government thus carried the crucial vote by almost the narrowest majority.

In the chamber of deputies the secretary announced that Senor Sagasta and Cardinal had been seated for accepting posts in Porto Rico from the American government. Senor Robeylo, the spokesman of the Weyler faction, in the course of a speech regarded as confirming the union between himself and Senor Segasta and as re-constituting the Liberal party, said he considered the chamber non-existent. He advocated the formation of a new Liberal cabinet.

It is rumored that Senor Sagasta, after the vote in the senate, offered his resignation of the premiership to the regent. The cabinet council is now sitting.

AMERICANS HAVE GUAM.

The Flag Formally Raised Over This New Possession.

San Francisco, Feb. 28.—The steamer Gualala, from Hongkong and Yokohama via Honolulu arrived here to-day. The Associated Press representative at Honolulu sends the following news dated February 1: Capt. Tausig, of the Bennington, is the first American Governor of Guam. The American flag went up over the new possession at 10:30 a.m. on February 1. It was raised over Fort Santa Cruz, in the harbor of San Luis Apria, the main harbor of Guam, and saluted by the guns of the Bennington. Simultaneously it was raised over the government buildings at Agaña, five miles distant, and was saluted by a battalion from the Bennington and a company of native militia with a field battery.

GERMANS INSULTED.

Berlin, Feb. 27.—According to an official dispatch from Peking several Germans were grossly insulted and afterwards assaulted last Saturday at Tientsin, the port of Peking. They had great difficulty in escaping from their assailants.

MARTELL'S THREE STAR BRANDY

ANOTHER TREATY SCHEME.

Newfoundland Expects Nothing from High Jointers and Prepares a New Programme.

St. John's Nfld., Feb. 28.—A movement has been set on foot here for an extensive reciprocity scheme between Newfoundland and the United States, including fish for the West Indies market, lumber, pulp, minerals and other valuable products of American industry. It is regarded as extremely unlikely that the joint high commission will ever resume its sessions.

MANHATTAN ELEVATED.

Immense Increase in Capital Stock—Electricity to Be Installed.

New York, Feb. 28.—At the special meeting of the Manhattan stockholders held to-day for the purpose of authorizing an increase in the capital stock of \$18,000,000, bringing it from \$30,000,000 to \$48,000,000, a representation of \$1 per cent. voted in favor of the increase.

President Gould at the meeting declared that the recent unfavorable action of the municipal bodies were clearly traceable to the attempt of the New York Auto-Track Co. to place their pipes containing compressed air along elevated structures. Mr. Gould said that experts declared this would be dangerous. Mr. Gould said no time would be lost in installing the elevated system with electricity.

DOMINION DESPATCHES

Thrice Defeated Liberal Candidate Rewarded With Snug Appointment for Life.

Dishonest Bookkeeper Gets Six Months—Commercial Traveller Falls Under Train.

Special To The Colonist. Kingston, Feb. 28.—Thomas Dawson, of Wolfe Island, has been appointed sheriff of Frontenac county. Mr. Dawson has been three times a candidate in the Reform interest, but each time was defeated.

QUALIFIED FOR OFFICE.

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HUGH RYAN'S MILLION.

Toronto, Feb. 28.—The will of the late Hugh Ryan will be probated in a few days. The legal advisers of the deceased estimate the property at about \$1,270,000, and this amount is no doubt very nearly correct. About half of it is in Ontario.

FELL UNDER A TRAIN.

London, Feb. 28.—A. G. Colson, of Brockville, a commercial traveller, while attempting to board a train for Ingersoll last night, slipped and fell under the moving coaches. His right arm was horribly mangled and his head and head bruised, but he was not fatally injured.

DISHONEST BOOKKEEPER.

Barrie, Feb. 28.—Archibald Macdonald, of Watford, bookkeeper of the Georgian Bay Lumber Company at that point, pleaded guilty before Magistrate Lafferty to taking \$580 of the company's money without their consent, and was sentenced to six months' imprisonment in the Barrie gaol. Macdonald was arrested at Sarnia on Saturday on his way to Chicago.

BURNED TO DEATH.

Brantford, Feb. 28.—Miss Annie Ellis, the eighteen year old daughter of J. F. Ellis, corner Henrietta and Abbot streets, was fatally burned this morning. She is still alive, but there is no hope of her recovery. Miss Ellis arose during the night, lighted a match and in some manner the flame was communicated to her night robe and in a moment the young woman was enveloped in fire.

C. P. R. RECEIPTS.

Montreal, Feb. 28.—The gross earnings of the Canadian Pacific for January were \$1,861,570; working expenses, \$1,247,026; net profits, \$614,544. In January, 1898, the net profits were \$515,628.

A WOMAN'S SUICIDE.

Winnipeg, Feb. 28.—Mrs. Matthew Wulky, a resident of Neepawa, committed suicide this morning by taking strychnine. Dr. McCadden, coroner, was present when the death took place and the woman confessed to having herself decocted the ginger tea which she had drunk. Her husband was at Vancouver, but is on the way back.

MORE MOUNTED POLICE.

Winnipeg, Feb. 28.—Commissioner Herchmer of the Northwest Mounted Police who is here, says extra men are needed for the force owing to the number drafted for the Yukon service.

LAND SALES.

Winnipeg, Feb. 28.—C. P. R. land sales for February totalled 14,000 acres, for which \$40,000 was realized.

MERCHANTS' BANK.

Change in Management of This Halifax Institution—Branching Out in Cuba.

Halifax, Feb. 28.—Edson L. Peace, manager of the Montreal branch of the Merchants' Bank of Halifax, has been appointed joint general manager with headquarters at Montreal. Arthur H. Brock, assistant manager, succeeds Mr. Peace as manager of the Montreal branch and F. J. Sherman, at Fredericton, becomes acting manager at Montreal. W. B. Torrens, assistant cashier, has been appointed superintendent of branches at Halifax. A branch of the bank has been established at 24 O'Brien place, Havana, under the charge of W. F. Brock, and J. A. Springer as joint agents.

AT ALL BARS AND RESTAURANTS

MARTELL'S THREE STAR BRANDY

TWO SAD SEA STORIES

Missing Moravia a Victim of Sable Island—No Hope for Her Crew of Thirty.

Bark From St. John Abandoned—Captain and Chief Officer's Fatal Selfishness.

By Associated Press. Gloucester, Mass., Feb. 28.—The schooner Moravia, Capt. Wm. Corkin, arrived here to-day from a shipping trip, and brings news of the loss of the steamer Moravia, Capt. Witt, which sailed from Hamburg on January 18th, for Boston, but put into Falmouth, England, short of coal, clearing from the latter port on January 25.

Capt. Corkin reports that he sighted the Moravia on the northeast bar of Sable Island, broken in two. She had evidently struck the storm of February 12 and 13, and as the place where she stranded is twelve miles from shore and as nothing could be seen of the crew, Capt. Corkin thinks the men are probably lost.

The Moravia belonged to the Sloman line, and was an iron vessel of 2,417 tons register, and was built at Glasgow in 1883. Messrs. Funch, Eddy & Co., who are the New York agents of the line, say the Moravia was laden with sugar and had no passengers. She carried a crew of about thirty. The value of the vessel was about \$100,000. The cargo was estimated to be of the value. Both vessel and cargo were insured at Hamburg.

Dartmouth, Eng., Feb. 28.—The British steamer Garton, Capt. Willis, from Brunswick, via Norfolk, on February 8, for Rotterdam and Bremen, arrived to-day having on board the second officer and six of the crew of the British bark Galatea, Capt. Lewis, of St. John, N.B., from Turn Island, on January 3, with salt for Boston. She was reported on February 18 to have been abandoned, dismantled and water-logged.

The Galatea, it appears from the report of her second officer, was abandoned on February 15, at which time she was in a sinking condition. Previous to that the bark experienced terrible weather and began to leak rapidly. In spite of the fact that her pumps were kept going, ten inches of water got into her hold, and at 9 o'clock on the morning of February 15 Capt. Lewis, the chief officer, the steward, the stewardess and the second officer, the only remaining boat, the others having been stove in during the gale. At the end of four hours the boat was lost sight of in a furious gale, and the second officer considered it impossible for her to have weathered the storm.

At 9 o'clock the same evening the Garton heave in sight and took off the remaining crew of the Galatea. The men on the latter donned lifejackets and were hauled through the water, one of them having an arm broken while being rescued. The Galatea's second officer also says that after her sails were blown away the commander ordered the remaining boat to be launched, and that he was the first to embark in her. The chief officer followed him, and the steward was the next. The stewardess and three members of the crew thereupon entered the boat. The stewardess in so doing fell into the sea and was nearly drowned. Captain Lewis, according to the second officer, took with him all the provisions and left the remainder of the crew on board the sinking ship, although he adds there was food for all in the boat, which hung about the bark until 10 or 11 p.m., and then rowed on.

All the rescued men of the crew of the Galatea confirm the story told by the second officer. They add that the captain with a revolver in his hand threatened to "drill a hole" in the first man entering the boat without his orders.

LIGHT AS TO DREYFUS.

French Government Preparing to Make Public All the Evidence.

Paris, Feb. 28.—The senate today continued the discussion of the trial revision bill which was attacked and defended on the old lines. The minister of justice, Delcasse, took up the bill, and the passage of the measure, advancing an indication that the proceedings before the entire court of cassation would be public and that the trial would be held in ordinary trials. He added that he had not from the outset, believed it possible to quash the conviction of Dreyfus, without a confession.

The Premier, M. Dupuy, said he knew his duty and that was why he had submitted the bill which was adopted in the chamber by a majority of 315 to 154, and that alone proved the government was not influenced by certain groups and leagues. He doubted whether his opponents were sincere in their search on this ground.

Arthur H. Brock, assistant manager, succeeds Mr. Peace as manager of the Montreal branch and F. J. Sherman, at Fredericton, becomes acting manager at Montreal. W. B. Torrens, assistant cashier, has been appointed superintendent of branches at Halifax.

SHIPPING DISASTERS.

Bark Sighted Waterlogged and Dismantled—Steamer Thirty Days Out of Sight.

Boston, Mass., Feb. 27.—The announcement that the British bark Galatea, bound from Turks Island for this port, has been detected abandoned, dismantled and water-logged, caused considerable anxiety in this city among the relatives and friends of Capt. H. D. Lewis and the crew of the vessel. The Galatea, although under British register, was owned by N. W. Rice & Co., leather merchants of this city. She was a vessel of 1,122 tons, and was valued at \$22,000.

Up to a late hour this afternoon nothing had been received in this city with respect to the Johnston liner Moravia, 33 days out from Falmouth, Eng., and there is a great deal of anxiety on her account. She left Hamburg on January 18, and called at Falmouth on January 25, since nothing has been heard of her. Her time for an ordinary winter run would not be over two weeks from Falmouth, and the best that is hoped is that some part of her machinery may have broken down, and she may be now being towed into port or making the trip under sail.

DEAD IN A WINE CASK.

Italian in Buffalo Overcome by the Alcoholic Fumes.

Buffalo, Feb. 27.—Frank Casazza, 38 years of age, was found dead in a huge cask of wine in the Buffalo macaroni and vermicelli works this morning. Whether he accidentally fell into the cask or had let himself in to examine its contents will never be known. Although there was a barrel of wine in the cask, there was not sufficient to cover his head, so that death must have been due to the alcoholic fumes.

NOT INTERFERING.

London, Feb. 27.—The Berlin correspondent of the Times emphasizes what he calls the absence of hostilities, and the cordial relations between the Germans and Americans at Manila, and says: "The German cruiser Irene left the Philippines over a fortnight ago, and is now on her way from Hongkong to Amoy. As for Vice-Admiral Von Diederichs, he left the Philippines months ago."

GERMANY'S NEW MOVE.

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Far as he knew, the Irene was not in the Philippine islands, but was at Hongkong and the only German ship at Manila was the Kaiserin Augusta. There were, he added, a considerable number of German merchants in the Philippines, whom the German navy were anxious to protect during the Spanish-American war. The minister concluded with remarking: "We hope that our countrymen will find full security under American rule."

Minister Von Buelow said that unless the claims of German subjects in Morocco were speedily settled, the demands for such settlement would be supported by German warships.

He referred to Cuba and said the German firm of Schneider & Fischer claimed 2,500,000 marks, and the firm of Lob- rocks, their successors, claimed 1,000,000 marks compensation for losses during the war, while other claims aggregated 800,000 marks. It would not be easy, the minister pointed out, to secure redress, but the German government would support the claims as much as possible and did not endeavor to see that Germans did not come off any worse than others.

The foreign ministers then discussed the question of Samoa, saying that by the general act of 1889 the triple rule of Germany, Great Britain and the United States was established over those islands. Since the act came into force, he continued, there had been no lack of friction between the representatives of the different powers which had been of the character of the population. The minister of foreign affairs then said: "The final settlement of the question of succession rests with the powers. I refrain from delivering a decisive judgment on the whole course of events in Samoa, and the written reports arrive and are closely examined. But I hold strongly to the fact that we shall succeed in disposing also of those little troubles in Samoa with protection for German rights and interests and in a manner which corresponds with the friendly relations existing between the three governments concerned."

"That things in Samoa require readjustment is a principle acknowledged on all sides. It cannot be denied that the dominion has not stood the ordeal. We are prepared on our part to consent to a clean separation if the two other powers consent. But as long as this agreement does exist, we shall not allow the rights which that act gave us, to be curtailed, or our interests to suffer diminution. But we shall always respect the rights accruing to others by virtue of the Samoan act."

KIPLING NO BETTER.

Ian MacLaren Styles the Sick Author England's Real Poet Laureate.

New York, Feb. 28.—This afternoon the Kiplings in attendance on Rudyard Kipling issued the following bulletin: "Mr. Kipling's condition does not so far show any improvement. He still has the symptoms due to inflammation of the upper lobe of each lung, delirium and fever."

Dr. Conlin, the Kipling's family physician at Brattleboro, Vt., is now in attendance at the bedside of the author.

Philadelphia, Feb. 28.—Rer. John Watson (Ian MacLaren), who is in this city, is much affected by Rudyard Kipling's condition, and closely watches the sick room bulletins. He said to-day: "The lamentable news that Rudyard Kipling is in danger of death comes with a shock to me, and I am deeply grieved. I have read his work, and I have found in his words an inspiration beyond that of any other living novelist. He deals at first hand with the half-dreamed passions which mould human nature, and always with insight and nobility to a full death—which may be said to forbid would, in my humble judgment, deprive English letters of our greatest name and England of her real poet laureate."

THE NEW YORK POISONING.

A Dissenting Expert Furnishes Hope for Shaking Case Against Accused Chubman.

New York, Feb. 28.—Roland J. Moloney spent a quiet night in the Tombs. The alleged poisoner of Mrs. Adams and Henry Barnett took his new surroundings with that placid indifference which is characteristic of him since first his name was mentioned in the Adams case. It was said that District Attorney Gardner would today ask the jury to return a verdict against two alleged murderers, and would bring up witnesses who did not appear at the coroner's inquest. On the other hand, it was said that Moloney would try to secure the young chubman's release on habeas corpus proceedings. Whatever happens Coroner Hart will hear the case to-morrow, and an effort will be then made to have Moloney admitted to bail.

Young Mrs. Moloney, who was on the verge of hysterics when she heard last night of her husband's arrest, was today calm and collected. Mrs. Moloney will doubtless take an important part in the trial.

The evidence so far produced against Moloney is considered as ample to secure an indictment for sending the poisoned bromo seltzer to Harry Cornish which he innocently administered to Mrs. Adams.

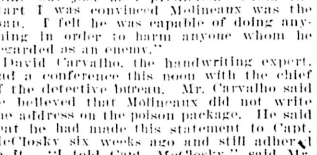
Harry Cornish this morning said: "It came out just as I predicted. From the start I was convinced Moloney was the one who came out abandoned, which they think should receive some official commendation. The three vessels were frozen in the ice at Sheldrake, N. S., where, without solicitation, Capt. Campbell, of the cutter, broke the ice around the vessels so that they might have safe anchorage."

A CAPTAIN'S COURTESY.

Commander of Canadian Revenue Cutter Does Kindly Turn for Foreign Schooners.

Gloucester, Mass., Feb. 27.—The captain of three schooners report a recent act of courtesy on the part of the Canadian cutter, the Commodore Abner, which they think should receive some official commendation. The three vessels were frozen in the ice at Sheldrake, N. S., where, without solicitation, Capt. Campbell, of the cutter, broke the ice around the vessels so that they might have safe anchorage.

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STOCKS, METALS AND PRODUCE.

All Round Decline in New York Share Market—Marked Drop in Specialties.

New York, Feb. 28.—The Commercial Advertiser's financial cable from London says: "The stock markets here were quiet but firm to-day on the better tone in Paris. There was some buying from there against options. A feature to-day was the rise in Brazils, which the Rothschilds are said to be buying, on a fractional improvement in exchange and on information from the best quarters that a further rise is looked for. I learn privately that a new loan of £1,000,000 for the province of San Paulo is being negotiated. Other South American stocks were strong. Americans were good, St. Paul and Northern Pacific being the notable feature. The close was steady on the strong buying of South American railway stocks. In mines the activity centres in Rhodesian issues and in copper shares."

New York, Feb. 28.—There were average declines of from one to two points among the leading stocks, including the railways, while in the case of Burlington there was an extreme decline of 4 1/2. The specialties, although showing considerable strength at one time, made extreme declines from the highest that were generally large. Metropolitan 4 1/2, Con. Gas, B. R. T. 2 1/2, Ann. Sugar 3, Ann. Steel 4, and Fed. Steel 2 1/2. St. Louis and San Francisco 2nd pfd. made an extreme dip of 3 from the top, while Lockport and Atchafalyp pfd. figure for about 2 1/2 each.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

Feb. 27, Feb. 28.	Feb. 27, Feb. 28.
Am. Cot. Oil.....	37 1/2
Am. Tob.....	12 1/2
Am. Sugar.....	13 1/2
Am. Spirits.....	12 1/2
Atchafalyp.....	22 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio.....	73 1/2
Bay State Gas.....	10 1/2
Can. Pacific.....	90 1/2
Can. Southern.....	58 1/2
Ches. & Ohio.....	14 1/2
Chic. Gas.....	11 1/2
C. & N. W.....	148 1/2
C. R. & P.....	119 1/2
Cons. Sugar.....	14 1/2
Cons. Gas, N. Y.....	21 1/2
C. C. & St. L.....	58 1/2
Del. L. & W.....	100 1/2
Gen. Elec.....	113 1/2
Jersey Central.....	109 1/2
Louisville & Nashville.....	62 1/2
Mar. Elev.....	11 1/2
M. Pae.....	40 1/2
Nat. Lead.....	30 1/2
Nor. Amm. Co.....	99 1/2
N. Y. & C. W.....	20 1/2
Northern Pac. com.....	53 1/2
Northern Pac. pfd.....	77 1/2
Pac. Mail.....	71 1/2
P. & R. all paid.....	22 1/2
Southern Ry.....	12 1/2
Tenn. C. &.....	43 1/2
U. S. Steel.....	52 1/2
U. S. Rubber.....	52 1/2
U. S. Receipts.....	48 1/2
W. & L. E.....	11 1/2
Western Union.....	94 1/2
Met. St. Ry.....	24 1/2
Brooklyn Rapid Trans.....	94 1/2

THE WHEEL.

Early Meetings Necessary. It will be necessary for both the J. B. A. B. bicycle club and the C. C. E. C. to hold special meetings within the next fortnight, in order that the Victoria club may be properly represented and in plenty of time for the annual meeting of the C. W. A., to be held at Toronto on Good Friday. Ordinarily the British Columbia clubs have very little interest in the choice of the C. W. A. officers. This year, however, it is different. Mr. J. W. Prescott, of Vancouver, chief of the Pacific district, being a candidate for the vice-presidency, has every one in the province who is interested in wheeling cannot fail to recognize the splendid service Mr. Prescott has rendered to the sport and to the province, the vote of British Columbia should, and no doubt will, be unanimous in favor of the second highest honor in the gift of the national association being bestowed upon the Western candidate. And the office of president of the C. W. A. being to a great extent reached by the process of evolution, it may perhaps be not too much to hope that some day Mr. Prescott will be seen in the office that Mr. Louis Robinson, of Montreal, will occupy this year.

BASKET BALL.

Wasps vs. Swifts. At the Drill hall to-night one of the best games seen for some time will probably be witnessed—between those old rivals, the Wasps and Swifts. The Wasps now hold second place in the league—being only one behind the J. B. A. A.—and they are determined to hold their present status, and when making a great effort to defeat the Swifts in about two weeks. The Swifts have strengthened their team by the addition of several new players, and will make a great attempt to work their way to a higher rank in the league. The following are the Wasps' team: C. Marshall, E. M. Burns, F. White, F. Humble, F. Mac, J. O'Sullivan has been asked to referee the game, which will commence at 9:15 sharp. The players should be on hand at 9 p.m. in order that there may be no delay in starting.

THE RING.

Canadian Amateur Championships. The Arzonian Rowing Club, having obtained the sanction of the Amateur Athletic Association of Canada, will hold their third annual boxing tournament to decide the amateur championships of Canada on March 9, 10 and 11. The competition embraces seven classes, namely: Special, 105 pounds and under; bantam, 115 lbs. and under; featherweight, 125 lbs. and under; lightweight, 135 lbs. and under; welterweight, 145 lbs. and under; middleweight, 160 lbs. and under; and heavyweight, no limit.

It is open to Canadian amateurs only, who are members of a regularly organized athletic or sporting club. As the object of these contests is to encourage manly, scientific boxing, no slugging or prize-fighting tactics will be tolerated. The winner in each class will receive a handsome gold medal, representing the Canadian amateur boxing championship of his class.

Borne to the Grave.—The funeral of the late Dennis McFadden took place yesterday morning. Rev. Father Althoff conducted services at the R. C. cathedral and as the graveside and those who acted as pall-bearers were J. O'Donnell, M. Kane, J. Macnall, P. Corr, J. Fullam and Ron Emery.

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FREE MINERS' CERTIFICATES.

We direct attention to the letter of Mr. Frank Richards relating to free miners' certificates. The act referred to is one of very great importance and we shall publish it in full in to-morrow's Colonist for the information of the public. The provision for a special license in the case of the lapsing of an ordinary license is good, but it ought to apply to licenses expiring in May next. Possibly it does—but we shall be better able to judge when we have the whole act before us. The measure may call for additional comment, but this must be deferred until then. The object of this reference is to call public attention at once to this very important measure.

THE SESSION.

While, as was said in these columns yesterday, the session was not marked by a very large amount of discussion, there was sufficient to show that there is a good deal of debating talent in the house, which might be employed to great advantage in the perfecting of legislation and the elucidation of public matters. In the following observations the intention is to refer specially to the new members. Beginning at the right of the Speaker and going down the line, we have first Attorney-General Martin, who cannot be called an orator, but possesses a faculty of stating a proposition with much clearness and force, and is very familiar with the tricks of debate. At dragging a red herring across a scent he is an adept, but if met upon his own ground and in his own fashion, he would not be a very formidable antagonist, for he is a good deal of a "bluffer." At the same time he is undoubtedly capable of excellent work as a debater, and when not acting as a partizan is likely to be very useful. Premier Semlin has improved in manner with his new responsibility, but he did not appear to much advantage during the session owing to the Attorney-General practically taking the reins out of his hands. Mr. Cotton is a very clear speaker, rather too much given to nice distinctions to be very effective, but he brings to bear upon any subject under discussion a large fund of information and a happy faculty of expressing himself. Messrs. Higgins and Prentice took very little part in the debates, but the former's capabilities in this line are well-known. Mr. Ralph Smith speaks fluently and with considerable force. If he would take a broader view of public questions he would be a useful member. Mr. Macpherson's peculiar ability as a speaker calls for no comment. Messrs. James Martin and Tisdale confine themselves to very brief speeches. Mr. Deane expresses himself very well, and with practice and experience will make a very good speaker, though he may never become a debater. Mr. Wells will have to get over his excessive nervousness before any one can form an opinion as to his ability to take part in a discussion. Mr. Henderson and Mr. Munro are both fluent talkers. If they will be advised by the Colonist they will make a closer study of matters before the house than they appear to have done this year. If they do, they ought to be able to contribute much to the value of the debates. Mr. Neill is on dangerous ground. He amused himself during the session with that most dangerous of all weapons, satire, and he ought to remember the proverb about people who play with edged tools. Mr. Helgesen and General Kinchard do not participate in debate sufficiently to call for any comment. Mr. Kidd spoke less during the late session than any former one. Though too deliberate to be a pleasing speaker, Mr. Kidd has very clear views on many subjects, and has on more than one occasion shown himself of much use in the discussion of measures. Mr. Kellie is making a very serious mistake. The part of a bluff is a very risky one to attempt. Dr. McKechnie does not speak often, but always prepares himself very thoroughly. Mr. Hume never speaks when he can avoid it, and attempts little beyond simple statements of fact.

Going to the other side of the house, it is hardly necessary to say anything concerning Messrs. Turner, Baker, Helmecken, Pooley, Booth and Eberts. Of the latter it may be fairly said that being in opposition has materially helped him in the debating line, for he is much more forceful than ever before. The others are so well known in connection with legislative work that any comment would be superfluous. Messrs. A. W. Smith, Bryden and Clifford, while making no claims to oratory, speak well and always to the point. There are no members on the government side of the house who compare with these gentlemen in their business-like grasp of public questions and their ability to state their views in a business-like way. Mr. Dunsmauir and Mr. Robertson have as yet not given an opportunity for an opinion to be formed of their powers in this line. Mr. Ellison with experience will find himself able to contribute a great deal to the discussions, and so will Mr. Hall. The contrast between the latter gentleman's first appearance as a public speaker and his present efforts is well worthy of mention. Capt. Irving speaks rarely and does not seem to have any great ambition about that line. Mr. McPhillips is a great addition to the speaking talent of the house, but he ought to cultivate a closer method of treating his subjects. No member advances better ideas or expresses them in better form, but he has so far not fully succeeded in holding the attention of the house. This is purely a defect of manner, and he ought to study to overcome it. It is not that he occupies the time of the house too much, but that his thoughts apparently wander from the point which he is pressing home. If he will get over this he will be a very effective debater. Mr. McBride is another member from whom a great deal may be expected. The house listens to him, but if he is wise he will not let himself be misled into the fault, which so many young speakers commit, of trusting to his personal popularity and easy address rather than to diligent study. With the latter combined with the former, he ought to be very successful on the floor of the house. We think this little review will show that there is a greater proportion of debating talent in the house than is usually found in a legislative body. Few of the new members were at their best this year. Those on the government side were kept in the background by the assertiveness of the Attorney-General; those on the opposition side have yet to learn more of parliamentary methods. On the whole, we feel like placing the debating power of the house on a fairly high level.

THE MEETING OF PARLIAMENT.

It is premature to forecast the coming session of parliament, and for an opposition paper to do so would be very unwise. Except the Anglo-American negotiations there is no question that stands out with such a special degree of prominence to warrant any one in supposing that it will necessarily be a commanding issue, and until the government has taken the country a little further into its confidence than it has so far, any criticism of the action of the commissioners can only be of the most general character, and tentative at that. It is not the practice of the British parliamentary parties to discuss international negotiations while they are yet pending, or before official announcements have been made. Sir Charles Tupper set an excellent example in this respect last summer in connection with the commission, and since the commissioners have come home, we have not observed that he has referred to their mission in any other than general terms. He has made the very strong point that the government by its tariff legislation handicapped the Dominion in any dealings with the United States, which we think is obvious enough. The negotiations can hardly fail to come up for consideration in parliament, and the discussion will be of extreme interest.

The administration of the Yukon will most certainly be dealt with. It is the bounden duty of the opposition to insist upon the fullest investigation of everything connected with that matter. We may feel very sure that this will be done, and unless a very different complexion can be put upon a great variety of incidents that they bear now, the result must be extremely damaging to the government. The fiasco of the mail arrangements, the miserable mess made of the shipment of militia supplies north by way of St. Michael, the scandals in connection with the gold commissioner's office, the great disaffection created in a score of ways, whereby the name of Canada has been dragged in the dust before the eyes of two continents, must be shown up, and even though a party majority may whitewash the government, the country at large will know how to condemn the maladministration of this important portion of the Dominion.

But from our point of view the duty of the Conservative party during the coming session ought to be more than simply critical. It is time to take the aggressive in matters of policy, to demonstrate to the people that there is likely to be a positive gain in a change of government. To lose sight of the fact that the government are strongly entrenched is poor political generalship. It was the failure to take account of this which led to the New Brunswick landslide. It is not sufficient to point out the shortcomings of our adversaries. Some promise must be made for the future. Identified as he has been with all the great projects that have resulted from confederation, Sir Charles Tupper's name, associated with a progressive and aggressive policy, would be a power in the constituencies. He has the prestige of having accomplished great things for the country. He has reached that stage in life when he cannot be accused of seeking his personal ends. The people of Canada will follow him if he sounds a call that will appeal to their imagination

and their patriotism. We hope therefore that the coming session will witness, not a new departure on the part of the Conservatives, but a re-affirmation of the grand principles which gave the party such a long lease of power and the Dominion such a magnificent impetus.

Capt. Cox's statement, that the Canadian commissioners secured from the United States government not simply reasonable compensation for the surrender of the individual rights of the sealers but for the national rights as well, is rather tantalizing. As the paper that took the lead in insisting that this aspect of the case should not be overlooked the Colonist is specially desirous of knowing just what the compensation for the national surrender is to be. The importance of the sealing industry to Victoria and Vancouver Island is very great, and the compensation, to be equitable, ought not only to be valuable but of local application. If it does not possess the last named feature, there will be great dissatisfaction here, unless the Dominion government is prepared to substitute something for it.

Postmaster-General Mulock has decided to further economize in his department by docking the out-door employees for all their absences, whether caused by sickness or otherwise. In view of the magnificent stipend allowed these people, which is slightly over \$1 per day, this action will hardly commend itself to any one except Mr. Mulock. It is understood that the Postmaster-General is a gentleman of wealth; nevertheless he ought to have some sympathy for his unfortunate subordinates who endeavor to keep body and soul together on the miserable pittance allowed them. Speaking especially for the out-door service of the department here, we wish to say that the service is as well performed and worse paid than any work in connection with any private business in the community.

The Countess of Minto, having lately been appealed to for her aid in securing the commutation of the death sentence in the case of a convict, declined to interfere and sent the petitioners word that such matters must be sent only to the Governor-General. It is a good thing to have this doctrine made public, not that it is anything new, but because there may be others who may take a similar course in future. It ought not to be forgotten that the wife of the Governor-General is only a private lady.

The Times explains the utter failure of any member of the government or supporter of that combination to attack the late administration by attributing it to their courtesy. This is very funny. The public would expect many things from the government party, but courtesy is not one of them. We suppose it was courtesy that prevented the government press from repeating their exploded charges of venality.

The Pope is reported to be ill. Any serious sickness which the aged prelate may be afflicted with will cause considerable anxiety. Those who are closest in touch with the opinions prevailing in the Vatican believe that the next election to the papacy will turn upon the renewal of active steps for the restoration of the temporal power of the holy see.

If half the stories in circulation are true, there is so much dissension in government ranks in this city, that if a vacancy occurred in the local house to-morrow there might be some difficulty in getting a candidate to espouse the cause of that party.

The new ruling of Commissioner Ogilvie, under which a man may relocate in a district on proving that his first location is valueless, will be popular, because it has the element of fair play about it.

Of course France has an Orleanist plot to occupy its attention at this particular time. It is a poor sort of crisis that does not produce at least one plot for the overthrow of something or the restoration of somebody.

Just in passing we may mention that the Colonist was the only paper in the Pacific Northwest that refused to accept as gospel the report that the Khalifa was advancing against Kitchener with a greatly increased force.

BY WAY OF VARIETY.

Suburbs—I've just returned from a hunting trip.
Towne—House or cook?—Puck.

"So the lady engaged you at once when you said you had served with me?"
—Yes, she said that any girl who could stand you three months must be an angel."
—Elizabete Blatter.

"There's two gentlemen plying for you, pretty lady," said the fortune teller; "but you won't get either of them," she adds, as the pretty lady passes by without stopping.—Harper's Bazar.

The Pug—Say, but 'em new feller don't do a thing but put 'em to sleep quick.
The Mug—No wonder! He was a preacher before he took to prize fightin'.—New York Journal.

Chewbagger—How was it that dog of yours wouldn't do any of his tricks to-day?
Brown—I guess it was because I was showing him to a man who wanted to buy a dog.—Harlem Life.

Brown—I wonder why the great colleges, like Harvard and Yale, never advertise in the newspapers?
—They do; but they don't call it "advertising." They call it "playing football."—Brooklyn Life.

"That clairvoyant said she would show me some ghosts of the past."
—Well, what of it?
—I told her I had come there and planked down good money, and out whether I had a ghost or a future.—Brooklyn Life.

"You teach the young idea how to shoot, do you?" said Dimling to Miss Primmer.
—Oh, no, sir," replied the demure school-marm. "I am in the primary department, you know. Trigonometry is taught in the highest grades."—Puck.

ATLIN EXCLUSION ACT.

Philosophical View Taken by One of America's Newspapers.

From the Seattle Times.

The patrons of the Times are well informed concerning the action of the British Columbia Parliament in placing a law upon the statute books which excludes all Americans from the right to placer mining within territory controlled by that Parliament except as "hired men," thus practically excluding all Americans from the Atlin district, the discovery of gold in which is beginning to make that portion of the country almost as famous as the Dawson district.

There has been almost a universal protest sent up by the newspapers of the United States against this law which is deemed to be based upon anti-progressive lines and wholly unworthy the civilization attendant on the close of the nineteenth century.

The British Columbia people retaliate by pointing to similar laws which have been enacted by the states of America for a period of more than half a century, and pertinently ask why if American laws of that character were good enough for Canadians and the subjects of the British crown a similar law placed upon the statute books of British Columbia is not quite good enough for American miners.

Without regard to whether this doctrine is founded upon an erroneous principle, it must be admitted that the Canadians have decidedly the best of the argument, if one is to be governed by precedent, which is the all prevailing guide in legal problems—and we must confess that we sympathize with the British Columbia people in the attitude which they have taken, and rejoice in the enactment of the exclusion act for entirely different reasons than those which have moved the inception and passage of that law.

While it is all well enough for Americans who have the right to go to any country they please and dig gold—and while we would be very glad to have our citizens receive the benefit of as much of the alien exclusion act as possible in other countries, we are exceedingly pleased that the British Columbia Parliament has decided to exclude Americans from the territory of that country—and for the following reasons:

When, in the wisdom of William H. Seward, Secretary of State under Andrew Johnson, who served out the unexpired presidential term of Abraham Lincoln, Alaska was purchased of Russia, with its mighty area of 585,000 square miles, this country obtained a mineral deposit the like of which in our judgment cannot be duplicated upon the face of the earth.

This conclusion is justified by the constant development which is going on from the deposit of gold in quartz formation as rich as was ever discovered anywhere as well as the results which are being obtained by conscientious and patient miners on the Lower Yukon and its various tributaries, ranging anywhere from the mouth of that river to 1,500 miles toward the boundary line.

The attention of the world was being fixed upon the gold developments in Alaska when the late Secretary of State, Mr. Seward, purchased of Russia the Peninsula and Douglas Island, where one of the greatest and most productive gold mines in the world is now being operated, but all along the American portions of the Yukon River, when the announcement came almost like a bolt of lightning of a clear sky that vast deposits of gold with nuggets as big as a man's hand were being uncovered over in British North America, a few hundred miles up the Yukon, in what is now known as the Dawson mining district.

To those fields fled every miner throughout the American-Alaskan country, who had not been absolutely fixed and chained to his place of development, and the world knows the outcome of the eighteen months which followed this migration of stampede hunters in the spring of 1897 and continuing until the summer of 1898, when by hook or by crook—and as much by the conduct of the Dominion Government and "fake starvation" stories published by cunning journals, the entire emigration to the gold fields of Dawson City was practically cut off, and the army of gold hunters began their homeward march, or to turn their attention to other fields where gold was said to be deposited.

As a result to-day there are more American citizens digging after gold—and many of them are finding it—on the American side of the great Northwest country known as Alaska, than ever before, and in three years from this date more than an hundred thousand people will not only be engaged in developing the vast mineral wealth of that country, but will have demonstrated that the Dominion Government of Canada conferred a mighty favor upon the American people when they helped by oppressive laws to drive the Americans out and to prevent the development of that territory.

So precisely will it be in British Columbia. The "exclusion act" which has just been placed upon the statute books of that country, will in one year's time turn 25,000 men, aggressive and enterprising, back into the Alaskan fields, where just as rich deposits of gold can be found as in the Atlin district, and in three years, or five at most, American Alaska will have been developed to such an extent in her gold fields, and the output of the shining metal will have reached such quantities, as to become absolutely overshadowing to the products of the Northwest Territory and British Columbia included.

Thus, while it will happen that a few Americans will be cheated of their rights obtained before the enactment of this exclusion law, and many others will be unable to take up claims in that rich country—nevertheless the result will be a thousandfold more beneficial to the United States than if this exclusion act had never been placed upon the statute books.

Therefore we say "We are glad that Americans have been excluded from pre-empting gold claims, or carrying on placer mining in British Columbia."

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Labor is the law of happiness.—Stevens. The mind that is unfed is also unstored.—Whipple.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

THE PLACER MINING ACT.

Sir: It cannot be too widely known that the bill introduced by the honorable Minister of Mines provides that every free miner's certificate expires at midnight on the 31st day of May next. Every miner must take out another license, which will run from midnight on the thirty-first day of May next to the thirty-first day of May, nineteen hundred. This certificate must be renewed every year; but in the event of any person allowing his miner's certificate to expire he may obtain from the proper officer, upon the payment of a fee of \$25, a "special" free miner's certificate. Such "special" certificate shall have the effect of reviving the title of the person to whom it is issued to all mineral claims which such person owned, either wholly or in part at the time of the lapse of his former certificate, except such as under the provisions of this act had become the property of some other person at the time of the issue of such "special" certificate, and shall also operate as a free miner's certificate until midnight of the thirty-first day of May next after its issue.

Under section (7) it is provided that the fees shall be "for every free miner's certificate for a period for less than a year, a proportionate part of the fee charged for a certificate for a year."

FRANK RICHARDS.

AN EXPLANATION.

Sir: With respect to the remarks of Mr. Justice Walker that William Robertson had actually insulted me by presenting me with stolen goods, I wish to say that he presented me with a pair of shoes on Christmas Eve which he bought at Gilmore's shoe store—which Mr. Cathcart can certify to—and with nothing else whatever.

CARRIE BOURGET.

Victoria, B. C., March 1, 1899.

TELEGRAPH TO DAWSON.

Recent Arrival from London Tells of a Company Organized to Build the Line.

There is a scheme on in London to build a telegraph line to Dawson from some point in British Columbia north of Vancouver. It is a very large undertaking that would cost a vast amount of money, but there seems to be a good reason to believe that the work will soon begin. In fact, so far as can be learned, E. G. Woodford, a well known civil engineer of London, is in British Columbia investigating the difficulties and the necessities of the scheme, says the Seattle P-I.

This information comes from Montague Lodge, of London, who arrived yesterday morning at the Northern hotel. Mr. Leighton, who represents an English syndicate in claims on Hunker and Sulphur creeks, is now on his way to Dawson. As he has been in the Klondike country, he was considered in London somewhat of an authority upon matters connected with the country, and was consulted by the promoters of the telegraph company.

"I believe this company means business," said he yesterday afternoon. "It has already incorporated with a capital of £200,000, or \$1,000,000, and some of the stock has been placed on the market. How it has been taken by the public do not know. There is some difficulty in floating Klondike schemes in London. The region is so remote and there is so little knowledge of it that people are naturally wary, more so than here."

But I glanced over the prospectus of the company and discussed the matter with some of those interested. Their plan is to build from Lake Quesnelle, northeast of Vancouver, straight north through the Atlin country, and then right on down the Yukon river into Dawson. At Lake Quesnelle, I understand, there is the last telegraph connection toward the north; it is the terminus of the line running out of Vancouver. Consequently it would be the point from which to begin construction of a line to the Atlin country and to Dawson.

"Mr. Caton, a prominent man in financial matters at London, a director in the new company, told me some weeks ago that they could put on a very large force of men and would have the line in operation by next spring. He thought it could be built by April, but that seems an impossibility. He probably does not understand the difficulties to be overcome, for he has never seen the Klondike country."

"Mr. Woodward, the engineer and superintendent of the company, left London for Vancouver before I did, and he came on over the Canadian Pacific. I suspect he is in Vancouver or somewhere in British Columbia now. In addition to the line through the Atlin country to Dawson, there will be a branch to Skagway from some convenient point, probably Lake Bennett, so that communication will be had with that part of Alaska."

"The only unfavorable comment on the proposition that I heard was the fear that there would not be enough business to pay two companies. You see, there is another scheme on in London to build a telegraph line to Dawson, but I learned very little about it. It seems that some concern has a plan to lay a cable to Skagway and to continue the line on down the trail to Dawson, with a branch to the Atlin country. As I met no one who was familiar with the promoters of it, I know nothing about the financial strength of the concern. But some of the newspapers commented on the two companies, saying there did not seem to be much business for two. They seemed to consider it settled that there would be enough business to maintain one line. Nothing was said about the rates that would be charged. That is an unsettled matter. They will doubtless depend largely on the amount of business to be done."

Mr. Leighton met several Klondikers in London who were endeavoring to dispose of claims or to form syndicates. Alex. McDonald and his brother, D. McDonald, were there, as were George Harlick and Maltland Kersey.

"I don't think that McDonald succeeded in selling any of his claims," he continued. "He was to have been married several days after I left to Miss Maggie Chisholm, daughter of the chief of the river police at London."

"Mr. Kersey is managing director of the Canadian Development Company. He told me that he was having two fine steamers built to operate on Lake Bennett in connection with the steamers on the Yukon river."

Mr. Leighton has with him a hydraulic plant which he purchased at Chicago, and which will be used on the claims on Hunker creek belonging to the syndicate which he represents.

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2	127	209	273	355	430
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4	132	214	282	373	464
5	133	221	284	395	470
6	136	222	292	397	471
7	137	226	293	401	481
8	138	228	295	403	524
9	139	229	322	420	535
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Again Adjourned.—The trial of the
case of Penny vs. Penny was yesterday
further postponed until Friday.

Higher Courts.—The Full court will
meet on Monday next, and the Admiralty
court on the following day.

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blood with perfect confidence that it will
cure.

To Consider Estimates.—A special
meeting of the city council will be held
this evening at 8 to consider the esti-
mates for the current year.

Season Closed.—Yesterday was the last
day of the open season for ducks, lark
and plover, the only game which can
now be shot being geese, which include
the brant so plentiful in the open water
around Victoria.

A New Record.—The returns of the
Victoria clearing house for the week end-
ing yesterday were the largest since the
establishment of the institution on Octo-
ber 26, 1898. The returns for the week
were \$833,287.44, and the balances \$326,
177.91.

Fire Record.—The loss by fire in the
city during February totalled \$2,505, the
only big losses being occasioned by the
burning of the residence of W. J. Sheriff,
Alpha street, which was damaged to the
extent of \$2,000, and the Jubilee hospi-
tal to the extent of \$400. The other
alarms were chiefly for chimney fires.

Another light day—Evil-doers and even
offenders against the city by-laws are
apparently taking a holiday at present.
There have been very few cases in the
city police court during the past few
weeks, yesterday being the exception.
The charges against the two bicyclists
for riding on the sidewalk were formally
read, and they having paid their fines of
\$3 each in advance, the chief of police
pleaded guilty for them, and the sen-
tences were recorded. The charge against
Fannie Lord of keeping a house of ill-
fame was further adjourned until to-day.

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More New Blocks.—Among the new
buildings to be erected this spring is one
by the DeCosmos estate at the south
corner of Government and Cor-
marant streets and one at the corner of
Government and Piggard streets by a
Chinese firm.

Ian MacLaren Coming.—Victorians are
to have an opportunity of hearing Rev.
John Watson, D.D., better known as
"Ian MacLaren," the Scottish author
who is making a lecturing tour of the
continent under the management of
Major Pond. His Victoria date is April
27th.

Initiation.—At the regular weekly
meeting of Columbia lodge, No. 2, I. O.
O. F., this evening, the ceremony of
initiating a candidate will be performed,
and the occasion promises to be of more
than usual interest to members, as the
team has been hard at work practising
for several weeks past, and the "goat"
is in extra good fettle.

Calling for Tenders.—Mr. Thomas
Hooper is calling for tenders for the
construction of the brick and stone
building which is to be erected on the
Olive property on the east side of Gov-
ernment street, between Yates and John-
son, replacing a row of shacks. Messrs.
M. Lenz and John Bamser & Co. have
leased the property for a term of years.

Donations Acknowledged.—Manager
H. H. Hobbs of the Home for the Aged
and Infirm desires through the Colonist
to acknowledge with thanks the receipt
of the following donations to the Home
during the month of February: Reading
matter from Mrs. L. J. Quagliotti, Mrs.
C. H. Gibbons, Mr. N. Shakespeare, Mr.
N. P. O'Brien, Mr. George Marsden and
Mrs. Goodrich; and reading matter, ap-
plaud boots, from Mrs. H. Dallas
Helmecken.

"A Lady of Quality."—Mr. W. M.
Wilkinson, the prominent Chicago the-
atrical man, who last visited Victoria as
manager for the late Alexander Salvini,
is now on his way westward and north
from the Southern States with the rising
comedy star, Eugene Blair, in "A Lady
of Quality." Miss Blair of course fills
the role of Chloridia Wildairs. Arrang-
ements are being made for an appearance
in this city shortly after Easter, and it
is probable that a date will be definitely
announced by Sunday week.

A Call to the Convent.—Some enter-
prising individual seeing the main chim-
ney of St. Ann's convent sending a rain
of sparks upward, turned in the nearest
alarm box and gave the fire department
a merry run at about 2 o'clock yester-
day morning. The fire was disposed of
with a liberal dose of salt but the young
ladies of the convent will not in several
days be through discussing the midnight
visit that was an uncommon break in
their peaceful lives.

Farewell Supper.—Mr. and Mrs. John
Horne, who are leaving for Vancouver,
where Mr. Horne is embarking in
business, were the guests at a farewell
dinner in the Victoria West Methodist
church on Monday evening by the mem-
bers of the congregation. Mr. Horne
was presented with an address and beau-
tifully bound teacher's bible by the
members of the quarterly board and Mrs.
Horne with a hymn book by the mem-
bers of the Ladies' Aid Society.

A New Paper for Seattle.—Although it
would certainly appear to an outsider
that the P. I. and Times thoroughly
cover the field, Seattle is to have still an-
other daily to be known as the Star. It
has the first requisite of newspaper suc-
cess—good financial backing—and the
staff is being very carefully selected,
several of the men best known in news-
paper circles in the Northwest being un-
der engagement.

Touring the World.—Mr. Arbouin, of
London, Eng., accompanied by Mr. Stan-
way of Montreal, is spending a few days
in the city. Mr. Arbouin is touring the
world in the interest of his firm, the well
known house of Martell & Co., Cognac.
Mr. Stanway, who is well known here, is
the Canadian representative of the same
house. Both gentlemen are charmed with
Victoria and its surroundings. They ex-
pect to leave for San Francisco to-mor-
row evening.

The Second Day.—Yesterday was the
second day of the convention of the
Methodist churches being held in the
school room of the Metropolitan and
attendance both afternoon and evening
was most satisfactory. Rev. W. H. Bar-
rallough led the afternoon session and
addresses were given by him and other
ministers present and laymen while in
the evening Rev. J. C. Speer, Rev. Geo.
F. Swinerton and Mr. W. H. Deaville
took part. Prayer and singing formed
a part of each service.

Looking for Pastors.—Both Emman-
uel and Calvary Baptist churches are
now in the same position—looking for
pastors—and the congregation of the lat-
ter sincerely trust that they will not
experience as much difficulty as their co-
denominationalists in securing a minis-
ter. Rev. Mr. Trotter's resignation will
be taken into consideration at a special
church meeting to-morrow evening, while
it is anticipated that a formal call to the
pastorate of Emmanuel church will be
issued at the annual meeting two weeks
hence. To whom this call will be di-
rected is still problematical.

A carload of
received at Weiler
Bros.

Lowest on Record.—A very extraordi-
nary month was February in the registry
office. Only four marriages were re-
corded, which is the smallest number for
any month in many years. The month's
records also give 37 births and 26 deaths.

Losing No Time.—The passing of the
Municipal Clauses Act Amendment bill
at the late session of the legislature mak-
ing it possible for the city council to
close the barber shops and make it illegal
to deal in any other articles than milk
or medicines on Sundays, a petition was
put in circulation on Monday asking that
steps be taken to bring such a law into
existence. At six last evening the origi-
nal petition had 20 signatures, while two
others similar in tenor were said to con-
tain about fifty additional names.

Died in Toronto.—A despatch received
yesterday from Toronto announced the
death in that city on Monday of William
Dunington, formerly a resident of Victo-
ria. The deceased who for several
years was shipping clerk with Simon
Leiser & Co., left about three years ago
for Toronto to take up the study of
medicine and consequently would have
graduated next year. Last summer he
spent his vacation in his old position with
Simon Leiser & Co., adding to his host
of friends that he made during his pre-
vious residence here and being tendered
a farewell banquet upon his departure.
Deceased was 32 years of age. He was
a member of Peerless lodge I. O. O. F.
Appendicitis was the cause of death.

Police Returns.—From the number of
serious charges entered in the books at
the city police station during February,
it would appear that the month had been
a very heavy one. This was not the
case, however, the list of cases having
been largely made up of those entered
against the Robertsons, Snider and Ros-
son, some of which were withdrawn and
others changed. The full list of charges
follows: Obtaining money under false
pretences, 5; infraction of the street by-
law, 3; housebreaking, 24; one of these
charges were subsequently withdrawn;
being in possession of stolen property, 9;
burglary, 4; drunk, 12; stealing, 5;
assault, 2; vagrancy, 1; malicious in-
jury to property, 1; refusing to support,
1; keeping a house of ill-fame, 1; creat-
ing a disturbance, 2; infraction of the
bicycle by-law, 2. Two necessary wit-
nesses were detained during the month,
and two men were detained for safe keep-
ing.

Not a War Hero.—"Is not in battle
alone heroes are made," said Wallace
Munro, who is in the city in the interests
of Lewis Morrison, the great "Mephis-
to," who is scheduled to make his fare-
well bow next week. "We have a real
hero in our company who is one of the
most unassuming young men I've ever
met, and in appearance, the last man in
town you would pick out to do a daring
act. He is Albert W. Brown, our stage
carpenter. He has 18 medals on his
mainly breast for deeds of valor done in
the briny deep, for Brown is a swimmer
and an expert diver; in fact his record
for fast swimming was made in Toron-
to, Canada, in '93, when he won the
Bay championship and the Ed. Hanlan
medal, covering 500 yards in 7 minutes
and 10 seconds, whilst his record for
remaining under water is 3 minutes and
45 seconds. The medals I speak of, how-
ever, were awarded him for life-saving.
At Port Credit, Canada, in '93, he saved
four ladies from watery graves, and in
one of his rescues he received the colonial
medal. At Ashbridge Bay in May, '96,
he again succeeded in rescuing three
lives, and for this was awarded the
Royal Humane Society's medal, the only
one ever awarded to a theatrical man.
Since that date he has saved five more,
making in all twelve lives saved since
'93. Mr. Brown speaks very modestly
of his great rescues and when persuaded
to talk of them, merely says: 'I only did
my duty.' That's the stuff your Cana-
dian heroes are made of."

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THE PEOPLE'S RIGHTS.

A Rossland Opinion on the Recent
Usurpation in This Province.

The signature to the following self-
explanatory despatch received last eve-
ning is that of the gentleman with
whom His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor,
through his secretary, recently had
an interesting exchange of correspond-
ence:
"Rossland, Feb. 28.—The Provincial
Rights Association, having read the resolu-
tion in the legislature, moved by Mr.
Turner, seconded by Mr. Eberts, that
the course adopted by the Lieutenant-
Governor in dismissing his late ministry
was at variance with the constitutional
principles upon which responsible gov-
ernment should be conducted, and hav-
ing heard the readable defence of the
constitution as contained in the speeches
by Messrs. Turner, Baker, Eberts and
others, in contrast with the weak, silly,
evasive utterances of Messrs. Martin,
Semlin, Kellie, Neill and others on the
same side, and against the rights and
liberties of the people, and having learned
with regret but not with surprise that
the resolution was negatived by a small
majority, including the basest partizan
vote composed of statutory members cre-
ated by the government for the purpose
of sustaining the infamous and unconsti-
tutional cabal of usurpers that has con-
spired against the people of this province,
reiterates and reaffirms its decree of Jan-
uary that such dismissal was an arbit-
rary and unconstitutional abuse of power,
and further, that it was the culmina-
tion of the conspiracy against res-
ponsible government of which this associa-
tion has collected abundant evidence:
Resolved that the special thanks of the
association be tendered the Colonist for
its able editorial on constitutional ques-
tion in its issue of February 25, and for
its impartial legislative reports, and
that this association regards said edi-
torial as one of the ablest contributions
to constitutional literature ever publish-
ed within or without the British Em-
pire.

"HORACE F. EVANS."

MONTAGUE OF DUNVILLE,
CURED OF ULCERATED ITCH-
ING PILLS.

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Ont., writes:—"Was troubled with itch-
ing piles for five years and was so badly
ulcerated they were very painful, so
much so that I could not sleep. I tried
almost every medicine known when I
was recommended to use Dr. Chase's
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the first application got relief. Have
used two boxes and am now completely
cured."

Grandma—Ah, my dear, the men are not
what they were 50 years ago.
Ethel—Well, granny, you know 50 years
will change any man.—Stray Stories.

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"Well, she had to spend the 65 cents she
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SENTENCES PASSED.

William Robertson Sent to the
Penitentiary at Westminster
for Six Years.Snider Receives Four Years and
Nine Months, and Rosson
Four Years.

Mr. Justice Walkem yesterday morning
passed sentence on William and Stewart
Robertson, Wilfred C. Snider and George
Rosson, the young men who were last
week found guilty of housebreaking and
having in their possession stolen prop-
erty. William Robertson was sentenced
to six years; Wilfred Snider four years
and nine months; George Rosson four
years; and Stewart M. Robertson, nine
months.

The prisoners having announced that
they had nothing to say why sentence
should not be passed on them, Mr. Jus-
tice Walkem said he would deal first
with William Robertson, against whom
there was the greatest number of
charges. For breaking into and enter-
ing Spencer's stable he sentenced Robert-
son to six months; for breaking into
and entering the residences of Messrs.
Hall and Raitt, two years each; and
having in his possession stolen goods, the
property of W. Hazzard, Ch. Pichon,
James Maynard and Mrs. Tway, six
months each, in the case of Mrs. Tway's
property the sentence to be concurrent,
making six years in all. His Lordship
severely lectured the prisoner, pointing
out to him how near he had come to com-
mitting even more serious crimes, for
telling him that there was the meanness
of robbing Mrs. Tway, a poor woman, of
articles that could not possibly have been
any good to the thief, and the unkind-
ness of presenting to a young lady arti-
cles that he had stolen. His Lordship
could not understand what the prisoners
had wanted with all the firearms they
had come from Mr. Pichon's unless they
were to be used in an aggressive manner.

Mr. Justice Walkem asked Robertson
what had become of the other rug stolen
from Spencer's, and the articles belong-
ing to Mrs. Tway that had not been re-
covered. The prisoner said Sammy
Johnson had them, but His Lordship
refused to believe this, and rated Robert-
son for taking the boy out with him on
his.

Snider he sentenced to six months on
the Spencer charge, three months on the
Hazzard charge, and two years each on
the Raitt and Hall charges.

In sentencing Rosson, reference was
made to the assistance he had lent the
police, giving evidence implicating him-
self without having received any promise
of leniency on account of so doing. He
would sentence him to six months each
on the Maynard and Pichon charges, and
a year each in the Raitt, Hall and Kirk-
patrick charges.

Stewart Robertson, although only
charged in two cases, His Lordship felt
sure knew more than he had told in the
witness box. Having been asked by
counsel for the defence to look at the
depositions in Stewart Robertson's case,
he had done so, and from them could ar-
rive at no other conclusion than that he
was an accessory before the fact in the
Pichon case. He would therefore be
sentenced to six months on that charge
and three months in the Hazzard charge,
making nine months in all.

In conclusion, His Lordship referred to
the actions of the Robertsons and Snider
in the witness box, who had sworn that
they knew nothing of the robberies, and
the next day had pleaded guilty. Both
the public and the prisoners owed a debt
of gratitude to the detectives for having
stopped the men when they did. They
were the most dangerous kind of crim-
inals, as they had been trusted by the
people whom they had robbed, and were
not suspected by the police. He re-
minded them that by good behavior in
gaol they could save two months on each
year of their sentences. He hoped they
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live better lives.

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